

ABBREVIATED LITURGY FOR ORDINARY TIME
WITH ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH
JUNE 28, 2020
PROPER 8

In care for one another and all our neighbors, we are not meeting in our buildings at this time. However, we are still the Church in worship and service. For 15 minutes prior to each service we have a "virtual coffee hour," to chat, check-in with one another and share announcements. Once the liturgy begins, participants will be muted except those leading at the moment. During the hymns and prayers, feel free to sing or speak out loud as you will be muted. This is also making it possible for us to sing along with choirs from around the world, so we look for blessings in all things at all times.

If you are in need of pastoral care during this time, do not hesitate to call. Fr. Mulder at: 908-672-8695, or to write him at rectorstmartinsnj@gmail.com.

Our parish office is now open limited hours each day. Messages can be left at: 908-526-1350, or by writing: stmartinschurchnj@gmail.com. Our website is www.stmartinsnj.org. During this time, it is critical that your financial support of this ministry continues. You can do this easily using the Vanco platform on our website under "Donate." It takes only a few minutes to set up and has already made a positive difference to our ability to carry on in ministry. Thank you all.



The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Our help is in the name of God. With joy we proclaim:
 Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People *Glory to God for ever and ever.*

Hymn of Praise 690, Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

-Cwm Rhondda

1 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
pilgrim though this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand;
bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore,
feed me now and evermore.
2 Open now the crystal fountain,
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through;
strong deliverer, strong deliverer.

be thou still my strength and shield,
be thou still my strength and shield.
3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side;
songs of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever give to thee,
I will ever give to thee.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Reading from Genesis (22:1-14)

God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together. When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering

instead of his son. So Abraham called that place “The Lord will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided.”

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying.
People Thanks be to God!

Anthem *Psalm 23* *-arr. by Howard Godall*
(The Choir of Christ Church College)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (10:40-42)

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord, Christ.

Homily

The Nicene Creed

*We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;*

*he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

Prayers of the People

*Holy God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church
That we all may be one.*

*Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

*We pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding
Bishop and Chip our diocesan, and for all bishops, for Tim, our priest and
for all priests and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

*We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations;
That there may be justice and peace on earth.*

*Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.*

*Have compassion on those who suffer any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.*

*Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

*We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

We offer prayers of gratitude and debt to all who serve others during this time. Grant them energy, health and resolve for their ministry among us. And for your Church, may the day come soon when we can feast again at your Table. Until that great day, keep us steadfast in care for one another, regular in prayer and faithful in worship and service to your world.

Hear us now as Jesus taught us to pray, saying:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

*For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.*

Confession of Sin

Celebrant

Let us confess our sin to God.

People

*God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you,
Opposing your will in our lives.*

*We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.*

*We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.*

*Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.*

Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant

The peace of Christ be with you.

People

And also with you.

Hymn 488

Be thou my vision

-Slane

1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
all else be nought to me, save that thou art--
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;

thou my great Father; thine own may I be;
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.
3 High King of heaven, when victory is won,
may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,
still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

Blessing and Dismissal

Celebrant Go forth to love and serve the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*